

# SCENES IN THE "BATTLE OF EUROPE" ON THE WESTERN FRONT



This is the way the German trenches look after bombardment by the heavy British guns. The white line in the background is an occupied German trench.  
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British troops in the trenches waiting for the order to advance. Note the soldier watching the German trenches through a periscope.  
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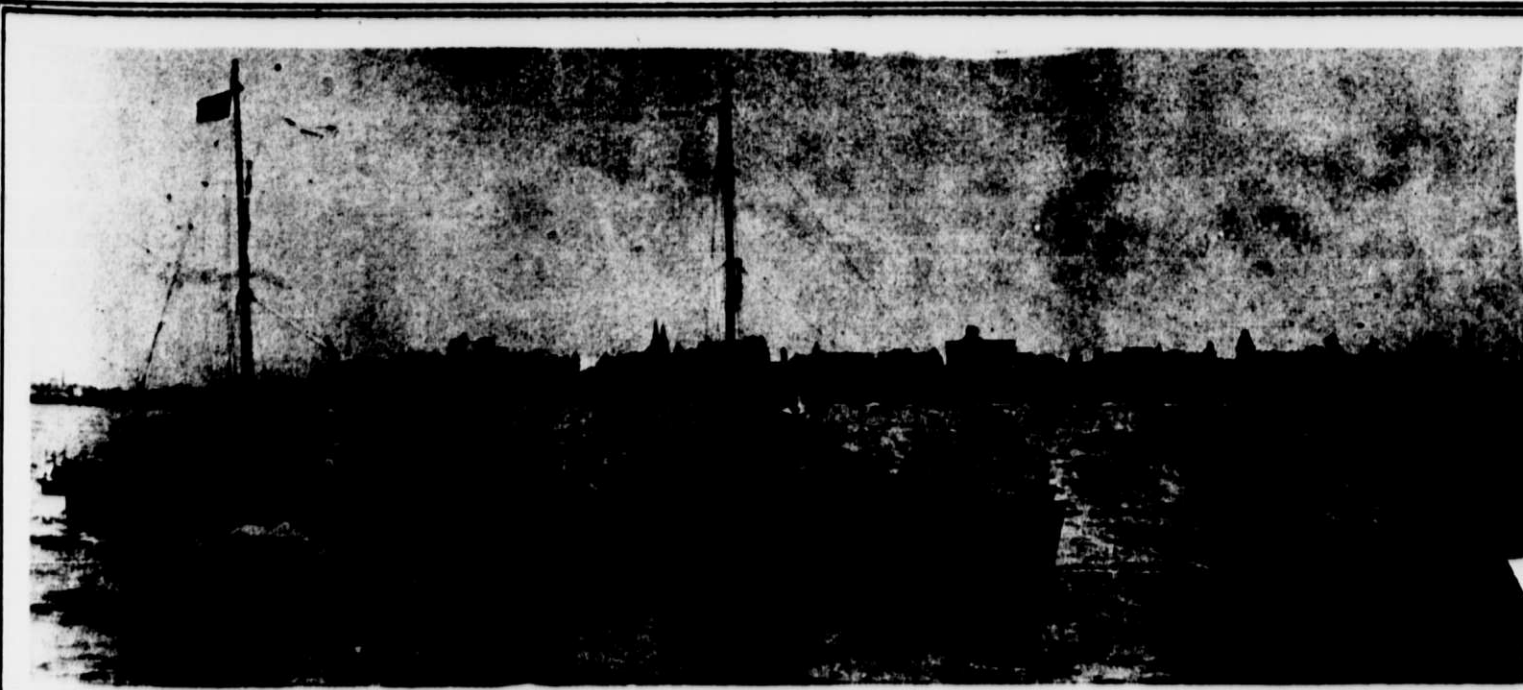
One of the big British howitzers which battered the way for the advance. The soldiers have dubbed this gun "Grand-mother," and they say she is much given to gossiping with the Germans.



All that is left of Fort Douaumont after its terrific battering by German guns. Note the remains of the fort's name over the archway. This photograph was taken during the brief interval the French held the fort after its recapture. It shows the weakness of supposedly impregnable fortifications against modern artillery.  
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## PERILOUS DUTY OF THE GERMAN NAVY IN PATROLLING THE BELGIAN COAST



A German torpedo boat patrolling the Flemish coast off Ostend. Almost under the eyes of the British fleet, but protected by shallow water and their own shore guns, the Germans have maintained a constant patrol of the Belgian coast.  
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The German patrol fleet in the North Sea.